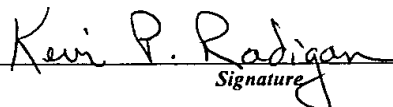



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Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed October 2, 2003, in
connection with the above-designated application. A response to the Office Action is
initially due on or before January 2, 2004, and thus, this response is timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

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